

to X Director of Central Intelligence

X from: Chief, Central Planning Staff

X for action

1. Attached cy of ltr Copy of letter from
from Ass't Director Assistant Director,
Bureau of the Bureau of the Budget
Budget to Mr. to Mr. Anderson,
Anderson, Acting Acting Chairman,
Chairman, Security Security Advisory
Advisory Board, Board, 29 April '48.
dtd 29 April '48.
2. Memo for Director
of Central Intel.
dtd 30 April '48,
subj. as below.

SUBJECT: Establishment of the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee, Subcommittee for Security Control (Security Advisory Board).

1. In reference 1, Mr. Appleby, Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget, states his belief that the SWNCC Subcommittee for Security Control, which has been established to carry out security functions formerly discharged by OWI, should be under the NIA which, by Presidential directive, has adequate authority to assume this security activity.

2. It should be noted that the SWNCC ad hoc committee report of 6 February 1946, discussed in paragraph 4 of reference 1, contained a statement that there was no existing departmental agency which could, at that time, assume the OWI Security Advisory Board functions. This statement was correct since the Presidential directive establishing the NIA and the CIG, dated 22 January 1946, was the enclosure to NIA Directive No. 1, dated 8 February 1946. It should be further noted that during the period this matter was under study (January to April 1946) CIG was just being organized, personnel procured, and initial policy procedures established.

3. In view of the fact that it took over six months to set up the SWECO Subcommittee for Security Control, the old ONI Security Advisory Board having been abolished on 31 August 1945, the Central Planning Staff does not feel it advisable to stifle committee activity at this late date by initiating an action designed to establish a formal committee with such functions under NIA. In lieu thereof, recommendations have been made in paragraph 7 of reference 2 that you designate one principal and one alternate representative to serve in a liaison capacity with the subject subcommittee and that the liaison officers thus nominated closely observe its functioning in order to gather experience upon which to base a sound recommendation to you regarding the desirability of placing the Board under the staff supervision of CIG at some future date.

4. It is recommended that the recommendations discussed in the above paragraph be approved.

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